

H. R. 3984.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FEBRUARY 17, 1873.

Read twice, referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. AVERILL, on leave, introduced the following bill :

A BILL

Confirming articles of agreement with the Shoshone and Bannock tribe of Indians, and directing the Secretary of the Interior to carry the same into effect.

Whereas by act of Congress approved June first, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An act to authorize the President of the United States to negotiate with the chiefs and head-men of the Shoshone and Bannock tribe of Indians for the relinquishment of a portion of their reservation in Wyoming Territory," power is given the President to make such negotiation ; and

Whereas said act makes it the duty of the President to report his proceedings thereunder to Congress for approval or rejection ; and

Whereas the President did, through his duly-authorized commissioner, negotiate and make with said Indians the following agreement, to wit :

"Articles of a convention made and concluded at the Shoshone and Bannock Indian agency in Wyoming Territory, this

twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy-two, by and between Felix R. Brunot, commissioner on the part of the United States, and the chief, head-men, and men of the eastern band of Shoshone Indians, constituting a majority of all the adult male Indians of said band or tribe of Indians, and duly authorized to act in the premises, witnesseth that—

“Whereas by article eleven of a treaty with the Shoshone (eastern band) and Bannock tribes of Indians, made the third day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, at Fort Bridger, Utah Territory, a reservation was set apart for the use and occupancy of said tribes of Indians in the following words: ‘The United States further agree that the following district of country, to wit, commencing at the mouth of Owl Creek and running due south to the crest of the divide between the Sweetwater and the Papo-Agie Rivers; thence along the crest of said divide and the summit of Wind River Mountains to the longitude of North Fork of Wind River; thence due north to mouth of said North Fork, and up its channel to a point twenty miles above its mouth; thence in a straight line to head-waters of Owl Creek, and along middle of channel of Owl Creek to place of beginning, shall be, and the same is, set apart for the absolute and undisturbed use and occupation of the Shoshone Indians herein named;’ and

“Whereas previous to and since the date of said treaty mines have been discovered, and citizens of the United States have made improvements within the limits of said reservation, and it is deemed advisable, for the settlement of all difficulty between the parties arising in consequence of said occupancy, to change the southern limit of said reservation:

“First, the Shoshone band or tribe of Indians (eastern band)

hereby cede to the United States of America that portion of their reservation in Wyoming Territory which is situated south of a line beginning at a point on the eastern boundary of the Shoshone and Bannock reservation, due east to the mouth of the Little Papo-Agie, at its junction with the Papo-Agie, and running from said point west to the mouth of the Little Papo-Agie; thence up the Papo-Agie to the North Fork, and up the North Fork to the mouth of the canyon; thence west to the western boundary of the reservation.

“Secondly, the United States agree to pay to the Shoshone (eastern) band or tribe the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars; said sum to be expended under the direction of the President for the benefit and use of said Indians in the following manner, namely: On or before the tenth day of August of each year, for the term of five years after the ratification of this agreement, five thousand dollars shall be expended in the purchase of stock-cattle, and said cattle delivered to the Shoshones on their reservation; secondly, the salary of five hundred dollars per annum shall be paid by the United States for the term of five years to Wash-a-kie, chief of the Shoshones.

“Thirdly, within the term of six months, and as soon as practicable after the ratification of this agreement, the United States shall cause the southern line of the Shoshone reservation as herein designated to be surveyed and marked at suitable points on the ground, and, until said line has been so surveyed and marked, the United States bind themselves not to permit the intrusion of any white persons upon any of the agricultural or other lands within the limit of the district proposed to be ceded.

“Fourthly, this convention or agreement is made subject to the approval of the President and the ratification or rejection of the Congress of the United States.

[SEAL.]

“FELIX R. BRUNOT, Commissioner.

“Witnesses :

Lieutenant J. B. GUTHRIE, Thirteenth United States Infantry.

THOMAS K. CREE, Secretary.

Wash-a-kie, his x mark.

Nar-kok, his x mark.

Wau-ny-pitz, his x mark.

Bozeel, his x mark.

Wear-au-go, his x mark.

Toop-se-po-wots, his x mark.

Ti-and-a-bo-a, his x mark.

Co-at-sat-sa, his x mark.

Co-na-got, his x mark.

To-wo-ya-ge, his x mark.

To-whait, his x mark.

Ha-ba, his x mark.

Te-re-gal-ze, his x mark.

Wis-ha, his x mark.

Oua-do-shic, his x mark.

To-nam-be, his x mark.

No-kie, his x mark.

Wo-wim-bootz, his x mark.

O-a-ta, his x mark.

No-o-con-to-co, his x mark.

To-gun-ta, his x mark.

Sic-can-a-wit-se, his x mark.

A-te-a-wan, his x mark.

Tar-ash, his x mark.

Sa-re-ca, his x mark.

Do-se-paw-a-do-po, his x mark.

To-ash-wa, his x mark.

Te-or-ox-a, his x mark.

Te-ne-au-do-ka, his x mark.

Beaver Charley, his x mark.

E-o-ta, his x mark.

To-shi-a, his x mark.

To-yo-gat-sa, his x mark.

Pe-a-ro-ra, his x mark.

We-dum-ba, his x mark.

Qua-se-te, his x mark.

Wo-wan-a-gee, his x mark.

Bow-an, his x mark.

O-am-bis-se, his x mark.

Pa-ga-nit-se, his x mark.

Ko-ro-ko, his x mark.

A-go-nai-a-kok, his x mark.

A-ree, his x mark.

Kan-a-ra, his x mark.

We-a-wicke, his x mark.

Ko-gush, his x mark.

Ta-kit, his x mark.

Wo-to-pa, his x mark.

Ha-we-joe, his x mark.

Yo-wa-se-go, his x mark.

- Ah-wan, his x mark.
 Ka-te-wim-ga, his x mark.
 To-na-wook, his x mark.
 To-wai, his x mark.
 Ho-joe, his x mark.
 To-e-na-wa-ka, his x mark.
 Tar-ge, his x mark.
 Kaw-e-ya, his x mark.
 Pe-a-in-ca, his x mark.
 Paw-te-ma-co, his x mark.
 To-aw-e-bush, his x mark.
 Poo-ap, his x mark.
 Sho-sho-nee, his x mark.
 Ho-vez, his x mark.
 Po-ne-wa-na, his x mark.
 Hi-bun-do-sa, his x mark.
 Henry, his x mark.
 John, his x mark.
 Moon-in-ha-ve, his x mark.
 Pan-gin-no-na, his x mark.
 Ta-pa, his x mark.
 Kat-twa, his x mark.
 We-don-gah, his x mark.
 Ah-que-dot-sa, his x mark.
 Paw-quin-so-na, his x mark.
 Ne-ne-man-be, his x mark.
 John Sinclair, his x mark.
 Ha-na-ur, his x mark.
 Na-se-wicke, his x mark.
 Pe-a-tu-ga, his x mark.
 We-te-se-gat-se, his x mark.
 Pow-ho-to-nat-se, his x mark.
- A-do-wa, his x mark.
 Wood-se-wo-sa, his x mark.
 Mo-rum-ya, his x mark.
 Hoa-de-wo-un, his x mark.
 A-de-run, his x mark.
 Ta-wo-washe, his x mark.
 Tash-be, his x mark.
 Pa-hon-te, his x mark.
 Ta-we, his x mark.
 Wat-se-ke, his x mark.
 Kah-de-min-ge, his x mark.
 Po-quai-e-wit-ta, his x mark.
 Win-se-a, his x mark.
 Ko-ra-wit-se, his x mark.
 Ta-wa-shap, his x mark.
 Nag-a-roma, his x mark.
 So-na-zigua, his x mark.
 We-mo-rats, his x mark.
 Co-a-tyn, his x mark.
 P. C. Gonatz, his x mark.
 Pe-wa, his x mark.
 To-cutsy, his x mark.
 We-am, his x mark.
 Mi-be-sip, his x mark.
 Pe-ri-gob-us, his x mark.
 Ho-a-gua, his x mark.
 Ta-gua-sua, his x mark.
 Pe. Z-Pata, his x mark.
 Be-sha-Bitza, his x mark.
 So-ha-wa-not, his x mark.
 John, his x mark.
 To-taw, his x mark.

Paw-in-gap, his x mark.

War-as-huga, his x mark.

E-shi-u-no, his x mark.

Sho-a-paw-bo, his mark.

Min-dat-se, his x mark.

“Attest :

MARKOK, his x mark, United States Interpreter.

M. M. ADAM, Interpreter.

WILLIAM REES, Interpreter.

“Witnesses :

THOMAS K. CREE, Secretary.

JAMES IRVIN, Agent.

J.B. GUTHRIE, Lieutenant, Thirteenth United States Infantry.

JAMES K. MOORE, Indian Trader.

DARIUS WILLIAMS.

FRANK TRUMBULL.

JAMES IRVING PATTEN.”

Whereas it appears by the records of the above negotiation, now on file in the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, that the provisions of said act of Congress directing the exchange of lands, acre for acre, with said Indians, was not desired by them, but the above and foregoing agreement for the cession to the United States of a portion of their reservation, according to the provisions therein contained, being preferred by them, is accepted by the United States : Therefore,

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*

2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That the said agreement be, and the same is hereby, confirmed.

1 SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is

2 hereby, authorized and directed to carry the same into effect:

3 *Provided*, That the survey of the southern line of the Shoshone

4 reservation, as provided for in the third article of said agree-

5 ment, be at the expense of the United States.